

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1 – 4 (Cancelled).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): ~~A digital~~ An electronic camera, comprising:

~~an imaging device for performing photo-electronic conversion on an imaging surface so as to generate image data;~~

an outputter for repeatedly outputting an object scene image having a low resolution when an instruction key is in a non-operative state and outputting a single frame of object scene image having a high resolution when said instruction key is in an operative state;

a first displayer for displaying on a monitor a moving image based on ~~a plurality of screens of the image data~~ the object scene images repeatedly outputted from said ~~imaging device~~ outputter when ~~an~~ said instruction key is in a the non-operative state;

a recorder for performing a recording process on a ~~the single screen frame of the image data~~ object scene image outputted from said ~~imaging device~~ outputter when said instruction key is ~~shifted from the non-operative state to an~~ in the operative state;

a second displayer for displaying on said monitor a still image based on the ~~single screen of the image data~~ object scene image to be subjected to the recording process by said recorder; and

a determiner for determining, prior to starting a display process of said second displayer, whether or not said instruction key is ~~in the operative state at a specific timing at which a next recording process by said recorder is enabled; and~~ shifted from the operative state to the non-operative

state, wherein

~~a controller for permitting a displaying operation~~ the display process of said second displayer is permitted when a determination result of said determiner is ~~affirmative, and prohibiting the displaying operation of said second displayer~~ negative, and the display process of said second display is prohibited when the determination result of said determiner is ~~negative~~ affirmative.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): ~~A digital~~ An electronic camera according to claim 5, wherein said second displayer displays the still image on said monitor for a time period that said instruction key maintains the operative state.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): ~~A digital~~ An electronic camera according to claim 5, further comprising a third displayer for displaying a default image on said monitor for a predetermined time period when said instruction key is shifted from the non-operative state to the operative state.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): ~~A digital~~ An electronic camera according to claim 7, further comprising a memory for temporarily storing ~~the image data outputted from said imaging device~~ the single frame of object scene image outputted from said outputter when said instruction key is in the operative state, wherein each of said recorder and said second displayer reads out the single ~~screen of the image data~~ frame of object scene image from said memory.